ATTENTION WOMEN VETERANS!! SPRING 2016 CALENDAR You are invited to the following activities for women only at VA Central Iowa Health Care System in Des Moines

Every Thurs. Time: 1:30-2:30pm Place: Bldg. 12 3 rd floor dining room Yoga. No experience needed. Use a mat or chair. Come learn about deep breathing, relaxation and yoga.	
Tues. March 1, April 5, May 3 Time: 6:30pm Place: Bldg. 12 3 rd floor dining room Fly Tying. Come learn how to make your own artistic flies for fishing. No experience needed.	
Fri. March 4, 2016 Time: noon-3pm Place: Bldg. 12, Room B109 Come work on some fleece blankets to be given to hospitalized female veterans at the VA. Bring a snack or your lunch if you wish. Come socialize and work on this worthwhile project. No experience needed.	
Wed. March 23, 2016 Time: 12:30-3pm Place: Bldg. 12, room B109 Gardening and Cooking. Come learn more about organic and companion gardening. Then work with the VA dieticians to learn about healthy eating. We will make a few items today and be given some new recipes.	
Wed. March 30 Time: 5:30-10pm The Des Moines Playhouse will be presenting "Sister Act" free of charge to veterans this night starting at 7:30pm. Several women said we should have dinner together before the show and attend the show as a group. Location for dinner to be determined. Let Suzanne know if you are interested and she will make sure you find out where we will meet for dinner.	
Wed. April 6 Time: 1-3pm Place: Bldg. 12, room B109 Come learn how to do a string art project presented by one of our own women veterans. All supplies will be provided.	

Wed. April 20 Time: 9am-3pm Place: Iowa Veterans Home in WOMEN IN THE MILITARY Marshalltown, IA Women's Outreach Activity--additional flier and information will be sent out as soon as it is available: contact Connie Roth at 515-699-5647 for more information or to register for the event; come for inspiring speeches, presentations, activities, lunch, and a tour of IVH We will take a van/bus from the VA to the event if you'd like a ride. Contact Joni to sign up for a ride. Van will need to leave the VA at 8am and will return around 4-4:30pm. Des Moines Area Earth Day Trash Bash Fri. April 22 Noon-?? Come and join in the largest Earth Day Service Project in the state to clean up and beautify our community! This is a great way to represent the VA and the Women Veterans group as we give back to the Des Moines community. The day starts with a free lunch and orientation for all volunteers and then various jobs will be assigned to our group. Please contact Joni for more details and to get signed up!! On your own activity---just letting you know this is available Fri. May 27 7:05pm Wells Fargo Arena 2016 Iowa Barnstormers Military Night—get free tickets by calling 515-564-8468 Planning ahead—3rd Annual Retreat at Camp Wesley Woods-Sept 7-8

For questions, please contact Suzanne Anderson, Music Therapist at 699-5999 x4949

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Information, schedule, etc. to follow---just SAVE THE DATES!

Please let Suzanne or Joni know if you plan on attending activities, especially trips, so they know how much money and space will be needed. Thank you!